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Careers education and guidance is an essential part of your child's education. The school delivers a comprehensive careers programme across the key stages through our Super Learning Days and a range of extra-curricular events and activities. This includes preparing students for the world of work, providing information and guidance about education and career pathways, and inspiring them to have high aspirations, reach their potential and achieve their dreams. We are also constantly developing a programme of work related learning in subject areas to complement the careers programme.

[Click here to read the Careers policy on the school website](#)

[Click here to see the school's careers curriculum and the Super Learning Day programme of study.](#)



All of our students are registered to access Xello, an online program on the GMACS (Greater Manchester and Careers Service) platform. Xello is an engaging and interactive program that prepares students for post-secondary success in academics, careers and life.

The Xello link and login details are as follows:

<https://gmacs.login.xello.co.uk/>

Username: First letter of First name (capital), Surname (starting with a capital) For example: Richard Smith would be RSmith

Destinations post-16

Young people are now expected to stay in education or training up until the age of 18. Sale High School works hard to ensure that all of our students are fully informed about and prepared for life post-16. We closely monitor what our students do and where they go after leaving us in order to improve our careers provision.

For information on the progression of our students please read our [latest destinations report](#) on the school website.

Useful careers websites

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/explore-careers> Find out what a job involves and if it's right for you

<https://gmacs.co.uk/parents-and-carers> - Greater Manchester Careers and Apprenticeship Service

<https://targetcareers.co.uk/> Explore options for careers, university or apprenticeships and get help applying

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/careers>

<https://www.careersbox.co.uk/>

<https://icould.com/>

<https://www.how2become.com/careers/>

Employer Encounters and Workplace Visits

In addition to our careers curriculum and the Super Learning Day programme, we are committed to providing our young people with opportunities to speak to employees and employers and gain insights into the

workplace and world of work. In accordance with statutory guidance we strive to meet the Gatsby Benchmarks, in particular the expectation that:

- Every student will have at least one meaningful encounter with an employer in every year
- Every student will experience a workplace visit by the time they leave Year 11

Below is a sample of opportunities offered recently and companies we have worked with:

Workplace Visits	Employer Encounters and Careers Events
Hilton Hotel, Deansgate McCann Advertising Agency, Prestbury Arval Car Leasing, Sale Hewlett Packard Enterprise, Manchester Growth Company Skills Centre, Salford Trafford Housing trust – Limelight Well-Being Hub, Trafford	BBC HE SIMM construction Amazon Future engineers HS2 Epic Engineers Saica Paper

How can I support the school's Careers programme?

We are always looking for parents to join the Sale High School Careers Network. This is a registry of parents, staff friends and family, businesses and companies, and local employers who have agreed to be contacted about careers events and visits at school. You can play as small or large a role as you want, from having one-to-one conversations with students about career pathways and the world of work, to making presentations to large groups or even hosting a work-place safari at your place of business.

If you are interested in getting involved, please contact J Williams, Assistant Head teacher and Careers Lead at Sale High on 0161 9732713 or email jwilliams@salehighschool.org.uk

Access to records of careers and enterprise experiences

We hold detailed records of student participation in careers events and activities, and employer encounters on Compass+, an online planning and monitoring tool provided by the Careers and Enterprise Company. Pupils or parents/carers can request a copy of their individual participation record at any time by dropping into the Connexions office and speaking to our careers advisors, or by emailing jwilliams@salehighschool.org.uk or info@salehighschool.org.uk.

From September 2022 our pupils will also be making use of the **GMACS** website and the careers platform **Xello** to research careers, skills and post 16 / 18 opportunities – on this platform they have the responsibility to add their employer encounters and reflect on them. We recommend that parents log in with their child at home to support their exploration of careers and future opportunities.